Dear Editor,

Please find attached a revised version of the paper:

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Mortality and major morbidities in very preterm infants born from assisted conception or naturally conceived. Results of the area-based ACTION study.

The paper has been modified according to the Editorial Comment.

Point-by-point responses:

# A completed STROBE checklist for cohort studies has been submitted as an additional file along with the revised manuscript.

# Item 3: the last paragraph of introduction has been slightly modified in order to more clearly specify the objectives of the study.

# Item 5: follow-up period has been more clearly specified in the method section (“Infants were followed up to discharge from hospital or death in NICU”).

# Item 14: the numbers of infants with valid data for each variable are reported in tables 1 and 2 instead of the number of participants with missing data.

# A statement that data were reported and discussed according to the STROBE checklist for observational cohort studies has been added to the method section.

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